

THE WORLD'S FULL OF WRITERS
WHO DON'T WRITE
PAINTERS WHO DON'T PAINT

you don't have to stick a
loaded shotgun in your mouth
to write.

neither do you have to fight
bulls or walk
citystreets in that romantic
blue raincoat
with its torn lining. & the

only war you need to have fought
in, is the one that goes on every
second of the day inside you.

you just have to listen
& write.

you don't have to paint sun-
flowers, screams, naked women
or deadgreeks.

you just have to paint &
if you've an eye that cares --
there will be something.

& they probably won't like it
until you're good, safe
& dead.

-- Bill Lewis

Chatham, Kent, England

THE ERNEST
hemming way:
to assure that
one's skirts
do hang right.

THE EDNA ST. VINCENT
mill lathe:
for the production
of interchangeable
wooden parts.

THE GERTRUDE
stein:
for the two-fisted
female
beer-drinker.

THE ARCHIBALD MC
leash:
for the curbing
of dogs
outside bookstores.